

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration of this application, as amended.

The Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in Claims 2-3 and 5-6 is acknowledged with appreciation.

This Amendment is intended to expedite the allowance of the instant application in view of the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter. In particular, without acceding to the rejection of Claims 1 and 4, Claim 1 has been amended for clarity and to incorporate subject matter from Claim 2. Claims 2 and 5 have been cancelled in view of the amendments to Claim 1. Claim 3 has been amended to depend from Claim 1, and Claims 4 and 6 have been amended to follow the language of amended Claim 1. Accordingly, Claims 1, 3, 4, and 6 are believed to be in condition for allowance.

New Claims 7-10 have been added to provide more comprehensive protection for Applicant's invention and are also believed to be allowable.

An early Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 (XA-10311) any fees under 37 C.F.R §§1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper

and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been separately requested, such extension is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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